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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
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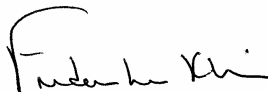
RE: Bay State Gas Company, D.T.E. 06-36

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

Enclosed please find the Petition to Intervene of Hess Corporation and an Appearance of Counsel in the above captioned docket. These documents have also been submitted electronically to the Department's e-filing mailbox.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
BEFORE THE
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

Bay State Gas Company

D.T.E. 06-36

PETITION TO INTERVENE
OF
HESS CORPORATION

Pursuant to G.L.c. 30A, §10; 220 C.M.R. 1.03(1); and 220 C.M.R.

1.01(4), Hess Corporation (“Hess”) hereby files this petition with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy (the “Department”) for leave to intervene in the above captioned proceeding. Hess states the following in support of its petition:

1. Hess is a Natural Gas Supplier certified by the Department pursuant to 220 C.M.R. 14.04, with a principal place of business at One Hess Plaza, Woodbridge, New Jersey.
2. Hess provides natural gas supply service to customers located within the service territory of Bay State Gas (“Bay State”).
3. On March 31, 2006, Bay State filed a request with the Department seeking approval of a proposal to implement an incremental capacity planning standard for grandfathered customers, and approval of related modifications to Bay State Gas Company tariffs M.D.T.E. No. 35, Distribution and Default Service Terms and Conditions, and M.D.T.E. No. 36, Cost of Gas Adjustment Clause (“Petition”). The Company states that the Petition is in response to a Department

directive in Bay State Gas Company, D.T.E. 05-27 (2005), to submit a proposal to monitor overtakes by grandfathered customers.

4. In conducting an adjudicatory hearing, the Department “may allow any person showing that he may be substantially and specifically affected by the proceeding to intervene as a party in the whole or any portion of the proceeding.” G.L.c. 30A, § 10; 220 C.M.R. 1.03(1).
5. Hess has a substantial and specific interest in intervening in this proceeding because the implementation of a capacity reserve for grandfathered customers by Bay State would have a substantial affect on Hess’ business. Hess currently serves Grandfathered customers, and additional costs imposed on either Hess or its customers will have an impact on the competitive market under which Hess and other Massachusetts suppliers operate. No other party is in a position to adequately represent Hess’ interests in this proceeding. Accordingly, any decision in this proceeding will substantially and specifically affect Hess.
6. Given its position as a Natural Gas Supplier, Hess will have information that will aid the Department in its evaluation of Bay State’s proposal.
7. On May 1, 2006, the Department issued an Order of Notice establishing Thursday, May 11, 2002 as the date for the filing of petitions to intervene. That date was later moved to Wednesday, May 17, 2002. Hess’ Petition to Intervene is timely and within the Department’s deadline.
8. Hess requests that all notices, testimony, pleadings and correspondence pertaining to this proceeding be directed to the following:

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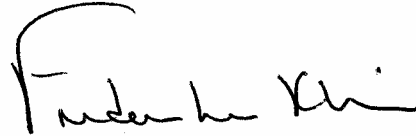
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WHEREFORE, for good cause shown, Hess respectfully requests that the Department
allow its Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned proceeding.

Respectfully submitted
On behalf of Hess Corporation

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frederic Lee Klein". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Frederic" being the most prominent.

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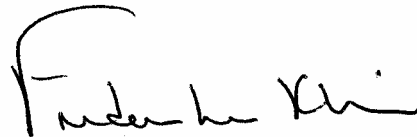
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APPEARANCE OF COUNSEL

Please enter the appearance of Frederic Lee Klein on behalf of Hess Corporation
in the above-captioned proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,
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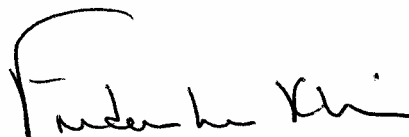
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day caused to be served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of 220 CMR 1.05.

Dated this 17th day of May, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,
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